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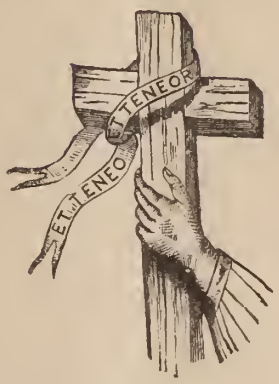

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Abroad.

CHINA—Tungchow.

Mrs. Capp.

The other day, while I was at dinner, a woman came to see me, dressed in a rich brocade garment lined with fur. She sat while I took my dinner, but would taste nothing but a walnut. She is the only one left of an old aristocratic Tungchow family, and has become poor, so poor that she is selling off all she can of their furniture, &c., to get over this hard year. The grandfather of the grandfather of her husband was a "*taoutai*," the highest official at the ports. He had what is called a *taoutai's* button, that is, a large bead, which, with a tassel, ornamented the top of his official hat. This she came to sell. She says it cost two hundred ounces of silver. I do not know what the stone is, but sent it to Chefoo for her, and a gentleman in the custom service is to take it at the valuation of a competent lapidary in Shanghai.

I talked to her a little, but she is very hard of hearing, and I did not succeed very well, so I called in Foo Shin, the cook, who came from the kitchen with the knife he had in his hand. He is very tall and slender, and, unlike any other Chinaman I know, does things with a rush. He stood by the side of the table and talked to her for at least half an hour with all his might, gesticulating earnestly with the knife in his hand. I was delighted with what he said to her, and that, with his *big voice*, he made her understand. He is a great help to me in talking to the women who come. With his talents, he ought not to be in the position of a cook. He came to my sister as a servant nine years ago. While I was in America, he concluded that he could do something better, and was quite in the notion of becoming a rich man; so he left, in spite of Mr. Mateer's warning, and went to Chefoo. Instead of getting rich, however, he lost all he had, got badly in debt, and then had a severe illness, and at last Miss Downing took pity on him, hired a conveyance, and sent him back home. This was his condition when I returned. He says he knows that with the state of mind into which he had fallen, had he been prosperous, he would have been ruined, spiritually, in Chefoo.

Three young men were graduated from Mr. Mateer's "High School" this year, the first who have completed a full course. They passed their examination so well, and did themselves so much credit in their addresses, that we were quite proud of them. All three we believe are Christians. After the commencement was over, in defiance of all Chinese notions and customs, I made a little social party. Nine of the students, the new preacher and his wife, the teacher of the school, an old gentleman whose son was here, and two old ladies, with six of my oldest girls, made up the company. Except the young man and his wife, no one else knew what they came for; my girls told me afterwards that if they had known, they should have been so frightened that they should not have known what to do with themselves.

After all were seated, Mr. Mateer made a little speech, in which he told them what we meant by it. This set everybody at

ease. We had one or two sensible little games, which showed that Chinese young people are not deficient in wit, some stereoscopic pictures, &c., to look at, some conversation, tea and sponge cake, singing, &c. At ten they all separated, I think, quite delighted, and with one or two new ideas in their heads.

Two days after, my school had its examination, when several of the young men came with Mr. Mateer. There were about fifty present, including the missionaries. The girls were much frightened at first, but conquered themselves, and went through all their exercises, recitations (hearing the classes which they themselves had taught), singing, reading essays, &c., so as really to merit the praises bestowed upon them by those present. I wish you could read the essays of the older girls. From these I should think that Chinese girls might excel in composition. I am expecting to have twenty pupils next year.

SIAM.—Petchaburi.

MRS. MCFARLAND.

I WOULD like to tell you about our dear Same, for that is the name of our new Bible-reader. She was one of my first pupils in the school here, and being a girl of real good judgment and kind and gentle in all her ways, she became in time very helpful to me in the school. Some time before our return home she was married to one of our church members, and I am sure I need not tell you how anxiously we longed and prayed for her conversion. It was only after she was married, and had to leave school, that I realized how much I had learned to lean on her for help in teaching others; and as little ones came into her family, her husband, as well as we, tried to bring every possible influence to bear on her, fondly hoping that she would give her heart to Jesus. But she seemed to us terribly stubborn. At times I was sure the Spirit was striving with her, but when I pressed the matter on her she grew vexed and silent, and our only hope was in the power of the Holy Spirit.

When we returned here after our visit home, we found her still outside the gate; an affectionate wife and mother, industrious and circumspect in her deportment, but apparently careless as to her

soul's salvation. We concluded then that we would all make her case a subject of special prayer. And oh, how our hearts were cheered when, a very short time after, she came to tell us that she wished to be baptized. She told the story of her conversion in such a plain, simple, earnest manner, that no one could have a doubt with regard to her case. And ever since she has been the most cheerful, happy Christian, and the most earnest worker that you can imagine. She was at this time engaged in a business in which she could make a respectable living, but we felt that she was well fitted for a Bible-reader, and she seemed anxious herself to be engaged in some way in teaching her countrywomen. We were not long in getting her at work, and now she goes out every day.

A new era is opening in our work here. God's Spirit is among us. I cannot in a letter tell you all about it, but at times our anxiety is so great that we almost hold our breath and stand still to see what God has in store for us. This state of things is not confined to our immediate neighborhood. We have inquirers from several of the outside villages. In many respects these inquirers seem to be different from what we have been accustomed to see among the Siamese, showing that with them it is a thorough conviction that there is no hope except in the religion of Jesus. Neither is this interest confined to rank or station. A nobleman from Bangkok, who is now here on business, seems to be very anxious and earnest. He attends our Sabbath services regularly, and often comes to see Mr. McFarland. A few mornings ago he came just as we were opening the house, and the first word he said was: "My business keeps me at my place all day, so I made haste to come early this morning to hear more about the religion of Jesus." In some respects the higher classes are much worse off than the common people. This man sees his way perfectly clear on every point except the fourth and seventh commandments. The fourth he cannot keep, for he must work for the *government*, nor the seventh, because of the terrible system of polygamy. He expresses himself in this way: "I am surrounded and tied down by that which is very hateful."

INDIA.—Saharanpur.

MRS. CALDERWOOD.

AN hour ago I returned from a visit to a family which seems very near the kingdom of God. They have thrown aside all observance of caste, and the women sit in the same room and are on an equality with the men of the household. The women are not confined to a zenana, except so far as respectability demands. What they call the zenana is not in the worst corner of the house, but in a comfortable place; and its floor is not bare, like that in other zenanas, nor is it void of furniture. There are tables and chairs, a large bouquet of paper flowers, and clean-looking bedsteads with white counterpanes upon them.

The mother, or head of the establishment, is a lady-like looking, fair and intelligent woman, about thirty-six years old. The two eldest sons, twenty and eighteen years of age, have fine-looking wives of sixteen and fourteen, both of whom are happy-looking, richly and comfortably-dressed girls. One of them had a very sweet, clean and nicely-dressed son nine months old in her arms. The mother-in-law, as well as her two daughters, can read and write well. They all talk contemptuously of the Mohammedan customs and the seclusion of their women in zenanas. There are not many such families among our 50,000 inhabitants here, still I know of some more such, and all over India a great number of just such could be found. They will be those who, at the right time, will come forward and confess Christianity, and will be ornaments in Christ's Church.

Our girls' schools among the Hindoos have proved more successful than ever during the past year. Agents for the government have year after year, till a short time ago, tried their utmost to outdo us. Although they gave their teachers full liberty to teach their own superstitious books, and required no Christian book to be taught, yet with all such privileges they do not seem to succeed. Surely in this matter you and I would recognize the blessing of our Master, whom we try to make known. The Hindoos, as well as the Mohammedans, have during the past year shown active and great interest in our work among their wives and daughters.

SYRIA—Sidon.

MRS. EDDY.

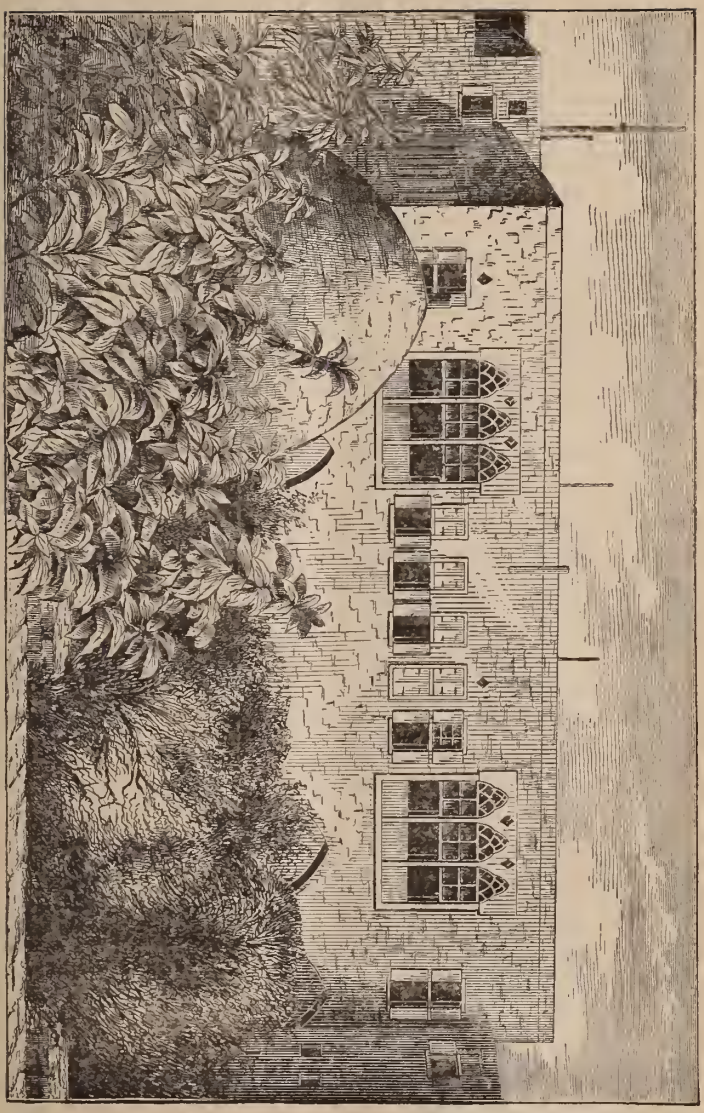
THIS is a picture of the building purchased by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society for the Sidon Female Seminary. It is so surrounded by other buildings that only a partial view could be obtained. It is of stone, two stories high and the ceilings of the lower part are high and vaulted. This part is of ancient date, built by a governor named Suliman Pacha as storerooms of grain for the army. This part furnishes two school-rooms for the day school, also dining-room, kitchen, store-room, bath and wash-room, for the boarding department. The upper part was built more recently, has plenty of sunlight and air, and is all used for study and sleeping-rooms. Better accommodations could not be desired.

The upper roof is flat, made of cement, surrounded with battlements, as the law directed the Jews to build their dwellings. This is for security from accident by falling from such a height. The house-top affords a fine place for exercise, and also a fine outlook upon the sea to the west and Mount Lebanon to the east.

The position of the building in the city is central; its location high, and consequently healthy. Immediately before and belonging to it is a small garden, with orange and lemon trees—a capital place for the scholars to play and breathe fresh air. The picture shows but little of this garden, a part of the premises most highly prized, as it has about it a high wall, which makes it secluded.

The round dome in the foreground is a Mahommedan praying-place, which is also used as a school-room by them. There is another place like it in the rear, and the voices of our scholars singing the praises of Jesus and the Moslem cries of "Mahomet is the prophet of God!" are often strangely blended.

The hundred and twenty girls now studying there, and the hundreds yet to come, bless, and will continue to bless, their sisters in America for this monument of their love to them and to Jesus. May it prove the birthplace of many immortal souls!



COMMUNION SABBATH IN SIDON.

MANY and delightful have been the seasons spent at the table of the Lord in our own favored land! Precious is their remembrance! But twice blessed was the privilege enjoyed last Sabbath in our little sanctuary in this old heathen city. It was not alone that Christ's feast was spread, that numbers came from far and near, that Christ's presence was felt, and that we sat under His shadow with great delight; our joy was heightened in view of those who for the first time found their place with us. Eight new guests at Christ's table! Eight who had heard Christ say, "Come," and who came and found a welcome from the Master of the feast. Six of these are connected with your loved Sidon Seminary. All were pupils; four are teachers. Kathreen, Houla, Tessameen, Tukla, Helane, Asnia, with two others, paid their vows in the courts of the Lord's house. Their names are recorded as members of the visible Church; may they be found written in the Lamb's book of life! Having "first given themselves to the Lord," they next asked, "What shall we render unto the Lord?" and the following day each came voluntarily with her offering in silver for the treasury of the Lord.

You were not permitted, dear friends, to share that day in our joy, but may you and they and we sit together at "the marriage supper of the Lamb" in our Father's house above!

SYRIA—Tripoli.

MISS LA GRANGE.

WE are not unmindful of the obligation of the Tripoli school, nor of our own obligation, to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and I have thought that perhaps you would like some information concerning the work in which you have invested so much.

The school has had a succession of missionary teachers in the four years of its existence, the present incumbents being the fifth of their kind. They hope for permanency. The school is still a day school, although the design has been, and still is, to make of it a boarding-school for the higher education of the girls in this field, and more especially for the training of teachers. We

are exceedingly desirous that this work should be begun, for it seems as if much of our effort went for naught when the girls are with us only through school hours, and then return to homes which, however wealthy they may be, must undo much of the work in the school. This ought to be the arrangement for next year, but at least two serious obstacles stand in the way—we have no room and no scholarships.

At present all our pupils come necessarily from the town. The primary room is becoming quite crowded with little ones. Many of the children are poor—very poor, but some are children of wealthy parents, and more come from families of position, if not of wealth. It has seemed to me that we were unusually favored in having the influence of some of the best families of Tripoli, especially that of Katzoflus, who stand highest. The missionaries have the *entrée* of their houses to the extent of great freedom and friendship. This family is reputed very wealthy; the beck and nod of a Katzoflus everywhere command immediate attention. Their patronage and good will seem an especial advantage. They have little daughters coming on who will be candidates for our school; some of them are already bright pupils of ours, though just beginning.

Yet there are few of these parents, however wealthy, who would prize education enough, especially education of daughters, to pay anything for it. To present a bill for tuition would be to drive our pupils to the Sisters of Charity, and these same children are those who would have the most influence and most opportunities for usefulness if given a Christian education. Two of the younger Katzoflus have married pupils of Miss Everett's, who are bright specimens of the progress of the times, though not Christians. They are good friends of ours. These are some aspects of "the situation." You see that we are in the *pupa* state, passing on, it is to be hoped, into the butterfly of no common order of beauty.

Miss Thomson, daughter of Rev. Dr. Thomson, came back with us from Beirût and the mountains at the beginning of school last October. Born and bred in this country, she has an intimate

knowledge of this peculiar people, with their many perversities and eccentricities, knows well how to meet them in public and private, and is, therefore, a great favorite with them all. Her familiar use of the Arabic also gives her great advantages. These gifts or acquirements I often envy her, though my own progress has been much more rapid than my anticipations. But I shall be very glad when I have no longer a fettered tongue. We have been making what improvement we could this year without apportionment. These improvements have been in the way of water supply and drainage, and are not yet complete.

Our primary children, being the "hope of the future," have taken the largest share of my attention this year. Their room has been reseated with comfortable little benches. They have been trained in *proper* school ways, and now are to have a playground of their own, with swings and a flower-bed. The last is by way of experiment, though they have made sufficient progress in reverence for such fine arts as to leave those in peace which we have above in the school-room courts. The first unlucky geranium was split to the ground the first week of its existence. Its other half, however, has remained, a trophy of what perseverance can do, and now brightens the centre of the large court with its pink blossoms.

UNITED STATES OF COLOMBIA—Bogota.

Miss McFarren.

A very bloody battle had been fought near Honda, and many were dying for want of care and attention. I could not resist the desire to go and do, or help others do, what could be done to save life. People here have very little idea that such work can be done by ladies, and I was very anxious to lead others to work. I had with me a native lady, a friend who used to be in my school and family as assistant pupil. She made herself exceedingly useful, and gained the respect of every one for her activity, devotion and perseverance. And then I was fortunate enough to have in the place a friend, an American lady, to whose house I went at once.

She not only made us comfortable in giving us a real American home, but devoted her time and strength to hospital work, with a generosity and activity which I think few ladies could surpass, though she had a family of four little boys to take care of, and her house always full of people.

You would have been surprised to see how quickly we organized and arranged our hospitals. The men lay on the floor, on a piece of matting something like a hearth-rug, which the government furnished. We had straw pillows made for them at Mrs. W.'s, and in bad cases we gave them sheets. The kitchen furniture was more simple still, our only stoves being a few large stones put together in such a way as to keep the pots up from the fire, which was made between them. The pots were of rough earthenware, costing only two or three dimes. A plate, spoon, and tin cup for each one made our kitchen complete. For bathing apparatus we had the gourds of the country, large and small.

As there were no proper buildings for a hospital in the place, and one house after another had to be seized in different parts of the town, it gave us more work. We made all these arrangements ourselves, even securing the houses sometimes. The authorities were the most apathetic and indifferent that you can imagine, and it was a constant struggle to get the necessary provisions, comforts and remedies for the poor fellows in our care. We received in all some two hundred wounded, and as many sick were brought into the place while we were there. We were not able to do much for them, our particular charge being the wounded. The men were so patient, so quiet and resigned, that it attracted the attention of all foreigners, and particularly foreign physicians. They met death with a calmness and fortitude that could be expected from Christians alone. I never saw any horror or fear of death in any of them. Sometimes I had to beg of them to wait patiently God's time, reminding them that He knew all their pains and sufferings, and would relieve them in His own good time. I look back to the six weeks spent at Honda with a great deal of pleasure, very happy that we were able to alleviate so much pain and suffering.

At Home.

The first break in a loving circle is always an inexpressibly sad thing, whether it be death or change of any kind that causes it. The absence of the familiar voice, the vain listening for the well-known footsteps, the missing of the many subtle *somethings* that go to make up the individual presence—this is never aught but a sad experience to those who remain in the broken circle.

There is an empty place at the table of the Executive Committee, at 1334 Chestnut street. Changes have come there before, by the removal of those loved and valued to other parts of God's great field; but these have not utterly gone; their letters have come back to cheer us, tidings of their active fellowship still in our labors have reached us, and sometimes their dear faces have been seen again among us for a season. But now, for the first time in our history, has the messenger of God entered that room, and beckoned one away from the little company weekly gathered there, calling her to join the "innumerable company" above who are before the Throne. Our beloved Recording Secretary, Miss Amanda M. Steever, rested from her earthly labors on Sunday, May 13, 1877, and those who knew and loved her so well, meeting her around that table every Tuesday morning, can only draw closer to each other, and whisper of their great loss and of her glorious gain. They cannot, as in the cases of those who have left their circle before, follow her with their prayers and their imaginings to the home whither she has gone; they cannot look for cheering news of her, or tidings of the service she still may render to the cause so dear to them all. No; the Master closes the door when He brings His children into His Father's house, that no trace of earth or earth's soil should enter there, nor any glimpse of that home disgust and sicken us with what of pilgrim life we must yet endure.

And what have we left, then, to comfort and strengthen us, as we sadly look upon that vacant chair, and try to make it real to our thoughts that the bright, loving, faithful one who sat there so long

has, indeed, the first of our number, become an inhabitant of heaven? Whither shall we turn our eyes to see the light in this cloud?

We can look at the great blessing that her presence among us has been to us and to our work. It is not needful here to enumerate her virtues or attractive qualities. Those who knew her, all know these, and to those who did not, it would scarcely be possible to picture her as she really was. Thorough, faithful, conscientious, quick, earnest, honest, and overflowing with life and love and sympathy, these were but a few of the characteristics that come to the minds of those who try to think of what really made up the dear friend and efficient worker whose loss they now mourn.

We can look at the Beautiful Gate through which our own "familiar friend" and companion has gone, and realize that although she is the *first* of our number to enter there, she is not the *last*. "Gathering one by one," we shall all sit down together there, when our work here around that table, and elsewhere, is done, and doubtless we shall talk of our pilgrim days and of our partings for a time, and of all the ways by which God has led us, and of the joy it was to work even a little for Him here, and the far greater bliss of perfect service of Him there. And when we look at the many perplexities, and the ofttime weariness, and the pressing burdens, and the sins and weaknesses of our earthly nature, that meet us there from week to week, can we do aught but turn with great gladness to our sister in heaven, and "because we love her, rejoice" that she has gone to our Father?

We wish now, with the feeling so common when friends leave us, that we had loved and appreciated her even more while she was with us. Can we not, fellow-workers who read these words, seek to look upon each other and each other's fellowship more as we shall look upon it when one and another have gone out of our sight?

God has spoken to us of the Executive Committee, and we would send His message on through all the circles of workers connected with us. He brought that earnest, loving, consecrated life into close union with ours, and let them run along together for a time, and then He took it up, with very little warning, far, far beyond

our vision and our knowledge, where only *faith* can reach and hope lead us. We hear the voice that comes back, telling us of the blessedness of faithful work for Christ while working days last; of peaceful, fearless meeting of the summons to leave labor and render up account; of the "everlasting arms" being "underneath" her every moment, so that fear or doubt or anxiety were unknown; and we say—may such a life and such a death be ours!

And now, since the last words were written, another of our sisterhood, one who has been a member of the Executive Committee more than once, filling vacancies there for a time, has suddenly been taken to the home above. We all recall the earnest, gentle, quiet, yet efficient, going in and out among us of Mrs. S. W. Dana,—one always sure to do well whatever she undertook to do, and who was never absent from the place that she agreed to fill Such members—the unobtrusive, unostentatious, yet reliable and faithful ones—are the most missed and longed-for when they are taken from us. We do not fully realize their value till we no longer have them with us. It is not only to this little circle of whose loss we have spoken that Mrs. Dana's death comes with sudden and overwhelming sorrow. We dare not enter into the sacred grief of those near to her or related to her through a large family connection; but a church and a community are bowed in mourning for her who was loved and esteemed in an unusual degree, although her words and works were little heard and "seen of men."

What meaneth the Master by these repeated visitations to the little circle of this sisterhood? Would He not have us all ready and waiting—not idly or dreamily, but doing what we have to do with the consciousness that our time, too, may be short, and with the prayer that our record also may be that of faithful service at our post?

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OUT OF THE SHADOW.

BY K. H. J.

All through the day, tbe heavy tumult stirred,
And noises loud and angry round me rolled;
A lingering thunder, muttering wrath and pain,
Seemed all the happy heights in nigbt to fold.

Strive as I might, tbe hills of faith and hope
Grew darker, higher, harder still to climb;
Eternity's far outlook and unfatbomed deeps,
Seemed bounded by the littleness of Time.

Then close around me, Doubt, his blackness drew,
While strong Apollyon threw his fiery darts—
Alas, where was my armor, strong and true,
That he could reach my very heart of hearts!

With poison tongue was every arrow tipped—
"He saith"—"He saith"—"but oh, He *doeth* not,"
"He will not give good gifts, as He hath said"—
"His promised mercy He hath clean forgot."

"No motber would say 'nay' to any child
Who lifted up such longing, pleading cry,
And yet—He is *more* ready, dotb He say?
Ah, no—no mother would, like Him, deny."

Thus rained the fiery storm upon my soul,
Each dart a blinding lance through Doubt's black night,
Till stricken, bruised and wounded nigh to death,
I yielded in despair th' unequal fight.

Then in Despair's yet blacker night than Doubt's,
Left there for dead by Doubt and Hell's ally,
He whom I had reviled came unto me,
With loving touch His healing to apply.

But there Despair and Shame 'twixt Him and me
Joined bands to keep from me that sweetest balm,
Yet o'er their height looked down His tender eyes,
And held me with their deep, divinest calm.

So once those eyes had turned in priestly hall,
Past all the mocking throng to one alone;
So broke *my* heart with love's sweet sad reproach,
So folded He again His strayed—His own!

CALIFORNIA BRANCH.

MRS. P. D. BROWNE.

I WRITE that name for the last time. We have been *promoted.* We are now The Occidental Branch. Our former name seemed too local, as we wish in this work to include every Presbyterian church on the Pacific coast. I often wonder if each lady realizes what power may be sleeping within her, only waiting will-power, or grace enough to arouse her to form an auxiliary in her church.

Our annual meeting, held last month, led every one who attended it to feel that the day was past when we need longer say, "The Chinese work is very unpopular." The bright, beautiful rooms of the "Home" were crowded with people from almost every part of the globe. The women who had formerly been in the Home, and were now married, were there joining in the hymns both in Chinese and English. Five have been married during the past year. This forming of Christian homes is a more important thing than one can realize who sees homes everywhere. To the Chinese upon this coast, it is a word which has been almost unknown in the past. We visited recently a heathen home, and then one where both husband and wife were Christians. What a contrast! The husbands in heathen homes see the difference, but do not seem quite clear yet which they prefer, a clean, light home with one wife, or a dark, dirty one with several wives. The women have no trouble in deciding as to which they prefer! Neither men nor women will long remain in heathenism in this land; the question is, will they be won to Christ? Two of our girls have gone out to service. We would gladly place them in Christian families, but there seems to be a great prejudice against employing Chinese girls. This in time will no doubt wear away. We have changed our Industrial Class to more of an English class, as many are anxious to learn to read. Some of the husbands are very much afraid to have their wives go there, others seem glad. The refining influence of such a home must be very great.

We have still $2100 to pay upon the building. That seems a very large sum now, for when Californians feel poor they feel

very poor. Chun Fa, who had been for many years one of the most consistent of the Mission Church members, died a few weeks since, peacefully trusting in Christ. Our missionary, who was with her night and day before her death, had not a doubt of her conversion. Her husband's kindness and attention were equal to any ever seen by the bedside of the dying. What will not Christianity do? Is it any wonder that we long for a baptism of the Holy Spirit that these darkened hearts and minds may be made glorious within?

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Bailey, Mrs. C.
Beckwith, Miss Emily P.
Beckwith, Miss Jennie
Clark, Mrs. E. A.
Cleaveland, Miss Julia H.
Devol, Mrs. W. B.
Elder, Mrs. Maria A.,
Emery, Mrs. Eliza
Graves, Mrs. William
Hammond, Miss Emma
Hankins, Miss Jennie
Hendrickson, Mr. Philip
Hopkins, Mrs. John M.
Lamb, Mrs. Gibson
Mayne, Mrs. S. Wells
McClure, Miss Mary
McClure, Mrs. David
Moorhead, Rev. J. D.
Rittenhouse, Mrs. John
Sammis, Mrs. M.
Scott, Miss Mary P.
Simpson, Mrs. A. D.
Smith, Mrs. E F.
Stewart, Mrs. E. W.
Suydam, Miss Sallie
Taggart, Miss Alice
Vance, Mrs. Ella R.
Vance, Mrs. J. N.
Young, Mrs. Mary A.

NEW AUXILIARIES AND BANDS.

AUXILIARIES.

Washington Presbyterial Society.
Altoona, Pa, 1st Ch.
Atglen, Pa.
Avondale, Ohio.
Bryn Mawr, Pa.
Cardington, O.
Cool Spring, Pa.
Cranford, N. J.
Cross Roads, Pa.
Harbor Creek, Pa.
Harmonsburg, Pa.
Olyphant, Pa.
Ozark Prairie, Mo.
Pequea, Pa.
Pleasant Run, O.
Sandy Lake, Pa.
St. Augustine, Florida, Bronson Ladies' Band.
Susquehanna, Pa.
Tidioute, Pa.
Washington, D.C., 1st Ch.
Wellsburg, W. Va.
Wheeling, W. Va., 1st Ch.
Wheeling, W. Va., 3d Ch.

BANDS.

Bakerstown, Pa., Lower Lights.
Cleveland, O., Euclid St. Ch, Young Warriors, Bird's Nest, and Willing Hearts.
Cannelton, Pa., Young Ladies' Band.
Harrisburg, Pa., Brave and True.
Logan, O., Young Ladies' Band.
Murrysville, Pa., Bright Eyes.
Newton, N. J., Rose of Sharon.
Wheeling, W. Va., 1st Ch, Cherith Band.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from April 1, 1877.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

ATHENS.—Athens Aux., $25; Bald Eagle Ch., Unionville Circle, for sch., Kolapoor, $6; Beverly Aux., for sch'p, Ningpo, for two years, $83, $114 00

BALTIMORE. — Baltimore, Westminster Aux., add'l, . 1 00

BELLEFONTAINE. — Kenton, Gleaners, sch'p, Yokohama, $30; West Liberty Aux., $14 53, ... 44 53

BINGHAMPTON.—Nineveh Aux., $47 50, Mrs. F. Edgerton, for L. M., $25 ($72 50); Windsor Aux., for nat. tea., Furrukhabad, $33, ... 105 50

BLAIRSVILLE.—Beulah Aux., for Miss'y, Kolapoor, $30; Blairsville Aux., for sch'p, Bogota, $13 30, for sch'p, Oroomiah, $35, for Miss'y, Hangchow, $18 06 ($66 36); Band, for Miss'y, Hangchow, $41 94; Braddock's Aux., $40, Ebensburg Aux., $20, Fairfield Aux., $31; Harrison City, $17, Irwin's Aux., $50, New Alexandria Aux., $47 62 ($205 62), for Miss'y, Hangchow; Olive Branch Bd., for sch'p, Bogota, $100; Johnstown Aux., $18 75; Murraysville Aux., for B. R., Petchaburi, $56 03: Unity Ch., Girls' Miss. Bd., $22, . . . 554 70

BUTLER. — Buffalo Aux., $27 50; Mt. Nebo Aux., $15, 42 50

CALIFORNIA BRANCH.—Howard Ch. Aux. and Bands, $287 61; 1st Ch. Aux. and Bds., $320; Calvary Aux., $400; Westminster Ch. Aux., $38 95; Busy Bees, of St. John's Ch., $30 30; Oakland Aux., $200 05; San Jose Aux., $388 80; Los Angeles Aux., $37 70; Santa Clara Aux., $115; Westminster Aux., Los Angeles Co., $9 60; Placerville Aux., $25; San Diego Aux., $50; San Bernadino Aux., $6 40; Brooklyn Aux. and Bands, $44 95; Sacramento Aux. and Bds., $65 10; Chico Aux., $9 60; San Pablo Bds., $13 15; Healdsburg, Busy Bees, $30; Tolman Bd., Mill's Seminary, $25; Donations, $416 60; Rent, $217 75; Board, $129 25; Home Work Fund, $137 55; Interest, $34 98; Membership and miscellaneous contributions, $205 55, . $3238 89

CARLISLE.—Carlisle Aux., for Tripoli House, $50 50, debt of Board, $3 21 ($53 71); Chambersburg, Central Ch. Aux., $52; Gettysburg, Master's Helping Bd., for sch'p, Sidon, $42; Harrisburg, 1st Ch. Aux., add'l, $30 94, Gleaners, for sch'p, Futtehgurh, $31 50 ($62 44); Pine St. Aux., for debt of Board, $50; Shippensburg, Y. L. M. Soc., for sch'p, Tungchow, $40, . . . 300 15

CHESTER.—Brandywine Manor Ch., Mrs. J. Mackelduff, for sch., Sabathu, $5; Chester, 3d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Syria, $60; Downingtown Aux., $25, . . 90 00

CINCINNATI.—Cincinnati, Central Ch. Aux., $150; Lane Sem. Aux., $106 75; 1st Ch. Aux., $123; 2d Ch. Aux., $15, Caroline and James B. Kemper, for Tripoli House, $2 ($17); 3d Ch. Aux., $28; 5th Ch. Aux., $7; 7th Ch. Aux., $10 25; Orchard St. Aux., $10 40; Lockland Aux., $50; Glendale Aux., $59; Earnest Workers, $41 25; Springdale Aux., $5; Montgomery Aux., $11; New Richmond Auxiliary, $5 ($623 65), for Miss'ys, China, India and Mexico; Mt. Auburn Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $112 50; Delhi Aux., for nat. tea., Lahore, $30, . . . 766 15

CLEVELAND. — Ashtabula

Aux., $59 82; Brecksville Aux., $8; Collamer Aux., $3 80; Cleveland, 1st Ch. Aux., $71 40; Euclid St. Aux., $80 84; North Ch. Aux., $2 95; South Ch. Aux., $10 30; Woodland Ave. Aux., $98 04, Sarah Adams Bd., $50 ($148 04); Grafton Aux., $6 50, Miss. Bd., $7 21 ($13 71); Hudson Aux., $12 83; Kingsville Aux., $10; Parma Aux., $9 50; Rome Aux., $4 85; Strongsville Aux., $14 86 ($450 97), for Miss'y, Japan, and return trav. exp. of Miss'y from Ningpo; Hudson Aux., for nat. tea., Rio Claro, $20, Sarah Adams Bd., for nat. tea., Negpore, $50; Pres. Soc., *special*, for Miss'y, $205, . $725 97

COLUMBUS.—Columbus, Hoge Aux., for Miss'y, Syria, $16 30; Greenfield Aux., $25 35; Groveport Aux., for zenana visitor, $15 05; Lithopolis Aux., $18 30; London, Finley Bd., for nat. tea., Furrukhabad, $25; Reynoldsburg Aux., $11 03; Rush Creek Aux., $10 10; Worthington Aux., for zenana visitor, $22 90, . . 144 03

DAYTON. — Greenville Aux., $10; New Carlisle Aux., $26, Miss. Bd., for Sidon Orph., $21 ($47); Seven Mile Aux., $20; Somerville Aux., $5; Xenia, 1st Ch. Aux., $40, ... 122 00

ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge Aux., for nat. tea., Furrukhabad, $56, Miss. Bd., of which $30 for sch'p, Mynpurie, $50 ($106); Bethlehem Aux., for Syria, $17; Clinton Aux., for B. R., Corisco, $25, Tripoli House, $9 49, Miss. Bd., for Tripoli House, $37 ($71 49); Dunellen Aux., for sch'p, Gaboon, $20; Elizabethport S. S., $25, A Friend, $10, for sch'p, Gaboon; Lamington Aux., $27 50; Liberty Corner Aux., for sch'p, Shanghai, $30; Perth Amboy Aux., for Miss'y California, $73; Plainfield Aux., $95 40, Miss. Bd., $20 ($115 40), for Miss'y, Brazil; Pluckamin Aux., add'l, $15 50; Rahway, 1st Ch. Aux., of which $50 for sch'p, Sidon, $72 72, Sharon Bd., $35 ($107 72); Scotch Plains, Miss E. T. Coles, for N. A. Indians, $5; Woodbridge Aux., for nat. tea., Allahabad, $60, Miss. Bd., $40 ($100), . . . $823 61

ERIE.—East Springfield Aux., $24; Erie, 1st Ch. Aux., sup. B. R., Saharanpur, $73; Fairfield Aux., $42 50; Fairview Aux., $6 75; Georgetown Aux., $2 75, Ira Condit Bd., $2 ($4 75), for Miss'y, California; Sandy Lake Aux., $13 60; Tidioute Aux., $27, . . 191 60

HOLSTON.—Mt. Bethel Aux., . 4 00

HUNTINGDON. — Birmingham, Mountain Sem. Bd., $100; Huntingdon Aux., for Miss'y, Ningpo, $50; Colored S. S., for sch'p, Gaboon, $20; Warrior's Mark Bd., of which $30 for sch'p, Kolapoor, $40, . . . 210 00

HURON.—Sandusky Aux., for work, Canton, . . . 16 00

JERSEY CITY.—Bergen, 1st Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Mexico, $100; Englewood Aux., for schs., Shawfut, Syria, $500; Hoboken, 1st Ch. Aux., for nat. tea., Sidon Sem., $50, Wood Violets, of which $60 for sch'p, Rio Claro, $170 ($220); Jersey City, 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Gaboon, $315; 2d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $60, Broughton Bd., for sch'p, Mynpurie, $30 ($90); Passaic Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $34; Paterson Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $161, Miss. Sch. Bd., for Canton Sch., $7 50 ($168 50); Rutherford Aux., $160; Tenafly Aux., for sup. Monitress, Dehra, $50, . . . 1637 50

KITTANNING. — Appleby Manor Aux., for sch., Saha-

ranpur, $25; Apollo Aux., for Miss'y, Siam, $50; Boiling Spring Aux., for Miss'y, Brazil, $25; Brush Valley Aux., for Mrs. M'Farland's work, Siam, $10 40; Ebenezer Aux., for Miss'y, Brazil, $40; Freeport Aux., for Miss'y, Siam, $112 50, Willie Beach's Happy Bd., and Heathen Children's Help Bd., $40 ($152 50); Homer City Aux., for Miss'y, China, $15; Kittanning Aux., for Miss'y, Allahabad, $240; Leechburg Aux., for Miss'y, Siam, $25; Worthington Aux., $143, . . $725 90

LACKAWANNA.—Canton Aux., $23 15; Pittston, Y. L. Cir., for sch'p, Beirut, $72; Troy Aux., for sch'ps, Kolapoor and Ningpo, $48, . . 143 15

LEHIGH.—Hazleton Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $71 64; Pottstown, Mrs. M. A. Grier, $5, ... 76 64

LIMA.—Findlay, Lilies of the Field, for Sidon Sch., . 12 00

MAHONING.—Brookfield Aux., for Miss'y, Bogota, $17; New Lisbon Aux., for sch., Saharanpur, $50, Miss. Bd., for Miss'y, Bogota, $10 ($60); Warren Aux., for Miss'y, Bogota, $26, . . 103 00

MARION.—Ashley Aux., $9 61; Berlin Aux., for Mrs. Mateer's work, Tungchow, $20 60; Delaware Aux., add'l Cent. off, $5, Miss. Bd., $52, Gleaners, $4 25 ($61 25); Kingston Aux., $7 65; Liberty Aux., of which $6 20 for Mrs. Mateer's work, $34 75; Marion Aux., add'l, $11; Milford Centre Aux., $25; Radnor Aux., $19 90; Trenton Aux., $35, ... 224 76

MONMOUTH.—Allentown Aux., for building, San Paulo, $66 15; Burlington Aux., for sch'p, Dehra, $60, Tripoli House, $83 ($143); Cranbury, 2d Ch. Aux., for organ for Bangkok, $59 80; Freehold Aux., $47 50, Mrs. Parker's Biblo Class, for Tripoli House, $22 50 ($70); Holmanville Aux., for schs., Chefoo, $20; Matawan Aux., add'l, $1, . . . $359 95

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Chatham Aux., add'l, $5; Morristown, 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Allahabad, $230; Orange, Central Ch., Miss Morse's class, sup. Bodha, Etawah, $15; Rockaway Aux., for sch'p, Bangkok, $42 50, ... 292 50

NEWARK. — Bloomfield, 1st Ch., Hope Chap., for sch'p, Canton, $33; Bloomfield, Westminster Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $35; Caldwell Aux., for sch., Canton, $54, Miss M. Condit, $12, Miss S. Condit, $5 ($17), for Chinese Home, ($71); Newark, S. Park Aux., for Miss'y and 7 sch'ps, Canton, $154 21; 3d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y and day-sch. in country, Canton, $70; High St. Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $67 77; Central Ch. Aux., for schs., $60; Park Ch. Aux., for work, Syria, $110 65 ($601 63), less $5, expenses, ... 596 63

NEW BRUNSWICK. — Ewing Aux., for B. R., Furrukhabad, $54, Annie Field Bd., for sch'p, Kolapoor, $30 ($84); Flemington Aux., add'l, $6 75, Gleaners, $100, Ella Kuhl Miss. Circle, $28, for Miss'y, Rio Claro ($134 75); Princeton, 1st Ch. Aux., for zenana work, India, $51 20; Annie Comfort Bd., for sch'p, Sidon, $50; Stockton Aux., for sch., Sughbin, Syria, $38 05; Trenton, 3d Ch. S. S., for sch'p, Dehra, $50, . . 408 00

NEWTON.—Belvidere, 2d Ch. Aux., $42, Paul Bd., $24 25 ($66 25); Deckertown Aux., for sch'p, Kolapoor, $30, Tripoli House, $23 ($53); Hackettstown Aux,, $22; Harmony Aux., for Kolapoor, $52 11; Oxford, 1st Ch., Aux., of which $60 for sch'p, Dehra, $100, . . 293 36

NORTHUMBERLAND. — Lewisburg Aux., $50; Milton Aux., $66; Washington Aux., $51, . . . $167 00

OZARK.—Ozark Prairie Aux., $4 40; Springfield, Calvary Aux., $45 60, for Miss'y, Lodiana, ... 50 00

PHILADELPHIA. — Bethany Ch., Infant class, for Miss'y, Allahabad, $100, for sch'p, Dehra, $50; Heralds of the Cross, for sch'p, Tungchow, $40 ($190); Calvary Aux., for Miss'y, *special*, $27, Humphrey Bd., for Tripoli House, $35 21 ($62 21); Chambers' Aux., for Miss'y, Persia, $350; Clinton St. Aux., $35; 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $403 20; 2d Ch., Star of the East Bd., for sch'p, Sidon orph., $50; South Ch., Cheerful Givers, for sch'p, Dehra, $50; 10th Ch., Miss E. N. Brown, for Miss'y, Allahabad, $200; Tabernacle Aux., for return trav. exp. of Miss'y, $270, L., for Tripoli House, $25 ($295); Walnut St. Aux., for Miss'y, Beirut, $472 50, S. S., for sch'p, Beirut, $100 *gold*, $105 62 ($578 12); West Spruce Street Aux., $340, Young People's Aid, $110 ($450), for Miss'y, Chefoo; Centennial Bd., for Ningpo Boat, $5; Mrs. W. E. Schenck, for nat. tea., Beirut, $100, for debt of Board, $100 ($200), . . . 2868 53

PHILADELPHIA CENTRAL.—Arch St. Ch., Mizpah Bd., for sch'p, Dehra, $30; Cohocksink Aux., for Miss'y, Saharanpur, $333 50, Mr. Wm. Hogg, for sch., Syria, $75, Miss Abbie Thomas, for Tripoli House, $3 ($411 50); Columbia Ave. Aux., for sch'p, Kolapoor, $40; Green Hill Aux., for outfit of Miss'y, $117 75; Immanuel Aux., $38; N. Broad St. Ch., Praying and Working Bd., for Tripoli House, $25; Olivet Aux., for nat. tea., Kolapoor, $50, Infant class, Jesus' Little Lambs, for sch'p, Dehra, $30 ($80); Princeton Ch. Aux., $160 46, Fullerton Bd., $23 50, Parko Bd., $17 50, Helping Hands, $12 30 ($213 76), for Miss'y, Persia; Henry Band., for orphan boy, Saharanpur, $30, ... $986 01

PHILADELPHIA, NORTH.—Abington Aux., for Miss'y, Odanah, $250, Miss. Bd., for sch'p, Shanghai, $40 ($290); Chestnut Hill Aux., $100; Germantown, 1st Ch., Willing Workers for Jesus, of which $30 for sch'p, Yokohama, $80; 2d Ch. S. S., for sch'p, Dehra, $60; Market Sq. Ch., Mr. Cowan's S. S. class, for sch'p, Futtehgurh, $7 50; Newton, Kate Craven, Bd., $16, S. S., $11 50, Miss Ewing, $10, Mrs. Van Horn, $2 ($39 50), 577 00

PITTSBURGH AND ALLEGHENY COM.—Leetsdale Aux., of which $25 for L. M., $46 77, Libbie Love's Mite Box, $2 25, Sam Young's Mite Box, $1 25, Willie Young's Mite Box, $1, . . . 51 27

PORTSMOUTH.—Mount Leigh Aux., $19 80; Winchester, 1st Ch. Aux., $7, . . 26 80

REDSTONE. — Bellevernon Aux., $50; Long Run Aux., $80, Star Bd., $20 ($100), . 150 00

ROCHESTER.—Geneseo, Central Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Mexico, $50, Grains of Wheat, for sch'p, Allahabad, $14 ($64); Moscow Aux., $14; Ogden, 1st Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Shanghai, $40, Tripoli House, $60, Ellinwood Bd., for Corisco, $40, Infant class, for Gaboon, $3 ($143); Sparta, 2d Ch. Aux., for sch'p, Gaboon, $25; Tuscarora Aux., $52 39, . . 298 39

ST. CLAIRSVILLE. — Barnesville Aux., ($14); Belleville Aux., $8 30; Cambridge Aux., for sch'p, Dehra, $31 50; Coal Brook Aux., of which $8 Cent. off.,

$44 39; Farmington Aux., $11; Scotch Ridge Aux., $16 80, ... $125 99

ST. LAWRENCE. — Heuvelton Aux., ... 5 00

SHENANGO. — Beaver Falls, Mrs. N. P. Moorhead, for L. M. and for Siam, $25; Clarksville Aux., for sch., Lahore, $35 10, Daylight Workers, $6 ($41 10); Enon Valley Aux., for work under Mrs. M'Farland, Siam, $23 47; Little Beaver Aux., for sch., Mexico, $4 13; Mahoningtown Aux., Miss A. Simpson, for L. M. and sch., Mexico, $25; Mt. Pleasant Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $45; New Brighton, Selma Bd., for Ningpo Boat, $9 75; New Castle, 2d Ch. Aux., for debt of Bd., $40; Sharon Aux., for Beirut, $5, 218 45

STEUBENVILLE. — Bacon Ridge Aux., $41; Bethesda Aux., $22 82; Bethlehem Aux., $8 65; E. Springfield Aux., $30; Minerva Aux., $3 40; Steubenville, Old Ch. Aux., $30; Two Ridges Aux., $20; Wellsville Aux., $37, for Miss'y, California, 192 87

SYRACUSE. — Fulton Aux., $12 50; Syracuse, 4th Ch. S. S., for Miss'y, Tokio, $16 82, for Ningpo Boat, $13 76 ($30 58); Park Ch., through Mrs. Butler, for Chinese Home, $5, . . 48 08

UNION.—New Market Aux., $30, Miss. Circle, $8 87, Band, $3 ($41 87), for Tripoli House; Strawberry Plains Aux., $6, for Tripoli House, ... 47 87

UTICA.—Utica, Westminster Ch., Fisher Bd., for sch., Saharanpur, . . . 150 00

WASHINGTON. — Lower Ten Mile Aux., for Mrs. U., Canton, $25; Mt. Pleasant Aux., $13; Upper Ten Mile Aux., for Mrs. M'Farland's work, Siam, $29; Washington, 1st Ch., A Soc. of little girls, for Woodstock, $10, A Member of Cornes Bd., for Tripoli House, $5 ($15); West Alexander Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $100; Wheeling, 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Rawal Pindi, $124 50, Hope Bd., $25, Cherith Band, for sch'p, Dehra, $25 ($174 50); 2d Ch., Martin Luther Bd., $33, ... $389 50

WEST JERSEY.—Camden, 2d Ch Aux., for sch., Mexico, $60 50, Baker Bd., $32 50 ($93); Clayton Aux., for Woodstock, $14; Deerfield Aux., for B. R., Gaboon, $27; Woodbury Aux., $39, 173 00

WESTMINSTER.—Lancaster Aux., for nat. tea., Canton, $61; Pequea Aux., $50; Union Ch. Aux., for sch., Lahore, $25, . . . 136 00

WOOSTER.—Ashland Aux., for sch'p, Canton, $44; Hopewell Aux., $12; Jackson Aux., $17; Nashville Aux., $18; Shelby Aux., for B. R., Canton, $40, . . . 131 00

ZANESVILLE.—Fredericktown Aux., $25; Jersey Aux., of which $9 Cent. off., $10 84; Keene Aux., $16; Mt. Pleasant Aux., $8 82; Mt. Vernon Aux., for debt of Board, $25; Roseville Aux., $5; Utica Aux., $27 30; Zanesville, 2d Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Chenanfoo, $40 12, . . . 158 08

MISCELLANEOUS.—Phila., Miss H. A. Dillaye, $25; Miss K. M. Linnard, for Ningpo Boat, $5; A Friend, for Tripoli House $20; Miss Annie E. Walter's, $5; Mrs. John Semple, $50; Miss Evans, $2; Mrs. S. Hood, for sch., Sabathu, $5; Anonymous, for sch., Sabathu, $5; Little Gardeners of N. 22d St., for Tripoli House, $25; Cash, $59 32; Holmesville, O., Harriet Robinson, 50 cts.; Trindad, Col., A Rocky Mt. Home Missionary's wife, $5; Monroe, Va., S., for spread of the gospel, $3; Hagerstown, Md., A Lady, for Tripoli House, $5; Wil-

mington, Del., Mollio and Sallie Reese's Mite Box, for Ningpo Boat, $7; Mexico, N. Y., Mrs. Eliza Emery, $10; Indianapolis, Ind., C. L. O., $4; Ladies of Scotch Ch., N. Y., Bergen, Caldwell, Plainfield and Orange, N. J., through M. E. M., $36; Allegheny, Pa., N. End Miss. Bd., for sch'p, Dehra, $58; Attica, Ind., Mrs. S. C. Earl, for Ningpo Boat, $2 50; Dover, Del., Katie Massey, $1; Urbana, O., Mrs. Seely Wood, $10; Elizabeth, N. J., Miss J. G. Kittle, for Woodstock, $25; Carlisle, Pa., Anonymous, $5; Oakland, Cal., Mrs. D. M'Clure, for L. M., $25; Pisgah, Pa., The Misses Patterson, for fam. suff., Tungchow, $6; Dansville, N. Y., S., $96; Sunbury, Pa., Miss Ellen Forsyth, $10; Interest on Deposits, $175 92, . . . $686 24

Total Receipts for April,	$20,005 10
Receipts from May 1, 1876, to May 1, 1877, . .	$86,094 59
Balance, May 1, 1876, .	90 02
Balance in hands of Cal. Branch, May 1, 1876, .	1,564 55
Total from May 1, 1876, to May 1, 1877, . .	$87,749 16

RECEIPTS FOR MAY, 1877.

BELLEFONTAINE.—Upper Sandusky Aux., . . . $31 00

BLAIRSVILLE.—Livermore Aux., for nat. tea., Kolapoor, ... 43 50

BOSTON.—Newburyport Aux., for Mrs. Wright's Industrial School, ... 100 00

BUTLER.—Harlansburg Aux., $25; Martinsburg Aux., for Persia, $15 40; Scrubgrass Aux., $38, ... 78 40

CARLISLE.—Harrisburg, 1st Ch., Mrs. Fleming, for Mexico, ... 1 00

CAYUGA.—Aurora Aux., $66 75; Port Byron, Workers for God, for work, Lahore, $8 50, . . . 75 25

CHAMPLAIN.—Malone, Y. L. Benev. Soc., for sch'p, Shanghai, ... 32 10

EAST FLORIDA.—St. Augustine, Bronson Band, . 12 50

ELIZABETH.—Perth Amboy, Harriet Newell Band, for sch'p, Mynpurie, . . 30 00

ERIE.—Greenville Aux., $25; Harbor Creek Aux., $8, . 33 00

GENESEE.—Warsaw Aux. and Mrs. Fisher's B. C., for Rio Claro Miss., . . . 21 50

HUNTINGDON.—Duncansville Aux., $5 34; Lewistown Aux., for Miss'y, Ningpo, $28; Pine Grove Aux., $25, 58 34

KITTANNING.—Ebenezer Ch., Miss. Band, $13, Little Workers, $3, for B. R., Allahabad ($16); Eldersridge Aux., for school, Syria, $40 50, ... $56 50

LACKAWANNA — Honesdale Aux., add'l, $1 50; Yakoot Barakat Bd., $20; Troy Aux., add'l, for sch'p, Ningpo, $4, ... 25 50

MAHONING.—East Palestine Aux., for Canton Mission, $19 88; Mineral Ridge Aux., for Miss'y, Bogota, $13; Youngstown Aux., for school, Mexico, $30, . . 62 88

MARION.—Iberia Aux., $15; Marion Aux., $100, . . 115 00

MAUMEE.—Toledo, Pearl Gatherers, for sch'p, Yokohama, ... 10 00

MONMOUTH.—Cranbury, 1st Ch. Aux., sup. nat. tea., Mynpurie, $60; Jamesburg, Rhode Hall Bd., for sch'p, Futtehgurh, $30, . 90 00

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Hanover Aux., for 12th St. Sch., Canton, $100; Orange, 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Canton, $225, ... 325 00

NEWARK.—Newark, 1st Ch. Aux., for Syria, $182 68; Y. L. and Stearns Mem. Bd's (of which for 2 sch'ps, Sidon, $100, for Sidon school, $30), $160, . . 342 68

NEW BRUNSWICK.—1st Amwell Aux., $20; Lawrenceville, Gosman Bd., for work, Benita, $20; Trenton, 4th Ch. infant class, for sch'p, Dehra, $21 25, . . . $61 25

NEWTON.—Clove Aux., $18 65; Delaware Station, $5; Knowlton, $4; Phillipsburg Aux., for zenana visitor, Lahore, $100, . . . 127 65

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Sunbury Aux., $63, Miss. Bd., $12 ($75); Washingtonville Aux., $19, ... 94 00

PHILADELPHIA.—Old Pine St. Ch., Workers for Jesus, for 2 B. R.'s, India, $25; West Spruce St. Ch. S. S., for orphans and fam. suf., Chefoo, $104 80, . . . 129 80

PHILADELPHIA CENTRAL.—North Broad St. Aux., for Miss'y, Persia, $150; 1st Ch., N. L., Little Gleaners, for sch'p, Kolapoor, $35, . 185 00

REDSTONE.—Pleasant Unity Aux., ... 22 85

ROCHESTER.—Sweden Aux., . 20 00

ST. CLAIRSVILLE.—Bellaire Aux., ... 62 00

ST. LAWRENCE.—Canton Aux., $32 50; Watertown, 1st Ch. Aux., for school, Shanghai, $10, S. S., for school building, Mexico, $15, for school, Shanghai, $10 ($35), ... 67 50

SHENANGO.—Beaver Falls, Earnest Workers, for sch'p, Japan, $30, for debt of Bd., $41 77 ($71 77); Neshannock Aux., $15 10; Petersburg Aux, $5, . . . 91 87

UNION.—Hebron Aux., . . 9 00

UTICA.—Rome, Seed Sowers, 9 48

WASHINGTON.—Upper Buffalo Aux., for Miss'y, Tungchow, $125; Wheeling, 1st Ch. Aux., for Miss'y, Rawal Pindi, $75 50, . . . 200 50

WASHINGTON CITY.—Washington, 1st Ch. Aux., . . $40 00

WEST JERSEY.—Presbyterial Soc., ... 40 00

WOOSTER.—Perrysville Aux., $10; West Salem Aux., $23, Thimble and Needle Soc., $7 ($30), sch'p, Futtehgurh, . 40 00

ZANESVILLE.—Clark Aux., $18; Linton S. S., for Ningpo boat, $7 15; Zanesville, 1st Ch. and Putnam Aux. (of which $1, a belated Cent. off.), for Miss'y, China, $35; We Girls, for sch'p, Kolapoor, 30, . . . 90 15

MISCELLANEOUS.—Bridgeport, O., Mite Box of Harry, Nellie and Bertie Jones, $2 50; Cranford, N. J., C., $1; East Orange, N. J., per M. E. M., $5; Huntingdon, L. I., Mrs. M. Sammis, for L. M., $25 12; Johnstown, Pa., Miss Sallie J. Duncan, for debt of Bd., $3; Lansingburg, N. Y., A friend, $5; Montreal, Canada, Am. Pres. S. S., for sch'p, Canton, $32; Mt. Freedom, N. J., Mrs. Phebe A. Ianson, $1; Phelps, N. Y., Mrs. Hammond, dec'd, to con. Miss Emma Hammond, L. M., $25; Philadelphia, Miss Berry, $10; Mrs. Dr. Davidson, $2; Anonymous, $1; A lady, $10; A friend of missions, $10; Mrs. S. Colwell and family for Bogota Mission, $166 67; Pittsburgh, Pa., Anonymous, $2; Princeton, N. J., Mrs. J. T. Osler, $2; Ripley, O., Mrs. John M. Hopkins, $15; Saline, Mich., Mrs. J. Hoyt, $2; Windham O., Cong. Ch., $19. S. S., $12, for fam. suf., Tungchow, . 351 29

Total Receipts for May, . $3,186 49

The $154 05, from Govanstown Aux., acknowledged in May No. of *Woman's Work*, should have been for the General Fund; also, $10 of the $36 20, from Mansfield, Ohio, was a Cent. off. from Mrs. J. Smart; $50 from Businessburg, Ohio, should have been from Bethel Aux. The Star of the East Bd., 2d Ch., Phila., has sent a box of rewards to the Sidon Orphanage, valued at $18.

MRS. JULIA M. FISHBURN, *Treasurer*,
1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

June 1, 1877.

W. P. B. M.

Northwestern Department.

JAPAN.

Mrs. J. D. Carrothers.

[This letter was received too late for our annual meeting. We commend its suggestions to all readers of *Woman's Work*. Lack of space prevents the appearance of the entire letter in this issue; it will be finished in the August number].

Oakland, Cal., April 10, 1877.

Dear Mrs. K.:—Your kind invitation to be with you at your annual meeting reached me yesterday. I have just written to send my regrets to the sister society at Philadelphia. I shall probably be sailing along the shores of Mexico or Central America about that time, and can only be with you in spirit. But to all I send kindly greetings and good wishes, and pray that God will be with you. You ask for something about Japan. The beautiful islands where I lived for nearly eight years, and towards which the eyes of so many of God's dear children have been turned, are now torn and distracted by internal commotion. Civil war is apprehended, the trouble which began last fall, in the glorious, golden month of October, when the earth seemed too beautiful to be soiled with blood stains, having spread through the empire. Rebellions, riots and general dissatisfaction have been the order of the past winter. Many of the schools have been closed, thousands of students sent back to their homes. We feel it to be an important period in the history of the country; but almost wish the great crisis would come, and Japan show her true colors, and take a decided stand either for or against Christianity. With all its wonderful progress, with all its eagerness for western science and civilization, it can *never* stand on an equality with Christian nations until it ceases to be a land of idolatry. If the trial of faith should come and perse-

cution begin, I believe there are many who would stand firm to the end. But I hardly fear this. I ask the prayers of God's people for the land I love in this time of its need.

Does it seem strange to you that a nation like the Japanese, intelligent, quick and educated in our sciences, as many of them are, should at all tolerate the existence of idolatry in their country? That man, endowed with reason, and formed in the image of his Creator, should bow down to hideous images, seems something almost incredible to us. Yet I believe that we have very crude ideas of the true nature of idolatry. In the first place, we must remember the great adversary, and the little there is to break his power. For hundreds of years he has ruled unmolested, and he will contend to the end. Then we must look at the power of the priests. How often, in reading the New Testament with the dear girls in the mission school, have we been struck with the recurrence of the words, "The chief priests and the elders." "Who were Christ's most bitter enemies?" I asked a Japanese girl one day. "The priests," was the reply. "And who now are the most bitter opponents of Christianity in this land?" "The priests," was the answer again. It is even so. The false teachers hate the truth. The families are closely watched by the priests. In cases of sickness they are at the houses; the dead body is given up to them; and when a native Christian dies, unless the Buddhist or Shintoo rites are performed, he cannot be interred in any of the cemeteries.

We must also take into consideration the pride of the Japanese, the antiquity of their religion, the long line of deified emperors and worshipped ancestors. It is hard for them to say, openly, "We have been mistaken." The old temples in their solemn groves, and their bells and drums and decorated altars; the hundreds of priests in their sacerdotal robes; the festivals, holidays, processions, and all the ritual of Buddhism, have a strong influence on the minds of the impressible people. But the idols themselves, we say they are the *gods* of the heathen; and when a little image is shown to us, we suppose that to be their deity, and wonder at them for thus worshipping the works of their own hands. But some of them say they are not idolaters at all. "We do not worship images; it is

the god we worship, under the form of the image." Call it polytheism, if you please, and say that each of the many gods is worshipped under a certain form, and you have a clearer idea of the real nature of idolatry, and some perception of the philosophy of the system. The snake is worshipped as one of the forms in which the god Benten appeared. The fox is the servant of Inari, the rice god, and so with all of them. It is the natural desire of man's heart to see what he worships. In the beginning this was simply and naturally granted, and we too are looking forward to the time when we again shall see God.

Japan is one of the strongholds of Buddhism; yet the walls of this fortress of Giant Pagan are tottering. The army of the Lord is encamped about them, and they must fall. I wish not to weary any one by these thoughts; but, as intelligent Christian women, I want you to understand better the religion of Japan, and to know better with what we have to contend. The study of the nature of idolatry engaged my thoughts during some of the last weeks of my life in Japan. Dwelling upon the subject has made me feel more closely the ties which bind me to my fellow men, even to the heathen. It has given me a deeper hatred of the false, and a deeper love of the true, and led me to acknowledge more humbly the grace of God which brought us out of darkness into the light. Idolatry is a sin into which man, left to himself, naturally falls. To my mind there are several distinct phases of woman's work for woman in heathen lands. And first of all is that which every woman can do in obedience to the divine command, whether engaged in direct mission work or in her family, in sickness or in health, or even when, reaching the "silver river" the "burdens" are laid down—that of letting the light *so* shine before men that the Father in heaven may be glorified. "Oh, the power of an earnest Christian life!" said a Japanese woman. "When I came to live with Christians, and saw them from morning to night engaged in work for others, I thought it was wonderful, and threw my idols into the bay." "Oh, grandma," said a little boy, "the love of these Christians is not like the love of the Japanese!" "It is wonderful," said another woman, "to see the care bestowed on the children of the schools!" I could multiply

instances, but time forbids. Endurance in trial, courage in danger, self-forgetfulness in life, patience in sickness, triumph in death, all these can be shown by the Christian woman to the heathen around.

The next is the work in the mission schools—the training of the young souls committed to the care of the teacher. God bless the mission schools in all lands! It is wonderful how they are prospered. In Japan, all our work has been developed from the schools. They were the beginning of the churches. In Tokio and Yokohama, in Kobe, Osaca and Kyoto, there are girls' schools which are centres of influence felt far and wide. The one in Tokio, where our dear sister Mrs. True is working, will be specially interesting to you. We feel that it has an advantage in being out of the foreign concession among the Japanese. Some of the girls are working nobly in the Sabbath-schools. One writes, "We gather in the neighbors; we do not care how ragged and dirty they are." What an advance in Christian love this is you cannot know so well as I do. "We had an interesting prayer-meeting," writes one. "Ine led, and spoke on the words, 'God is love;' and then we each chose our verse and spoke on it."

(*To be continued in August Number.*)

Home Work.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

It seems hardly necessary to say that the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of the Northwest was held in the First Presbyterian Church, Chicago, Illinois, April 25th and 26th, for these days have been in our hearts for months, as days to be looked forward to—days to be prayed for; days of expectation; days of blessing.

Open homes and open hearts; exquisite flowers, and the dear,

familiar faces, that in six years we have learned to trust and love—faces full of earnestness, full of faith, full of hope, an inspiration in themselves, gave us a cordial welcome. This mute welcome was put into words by our beloved President, Mrs. A. H. Hoge, and was responded to by Miss Helen Peabody, Principal of the Western Female Seminary, Oxford, Ohio, who, in presenting the thanks of the two hundred and fifty delegates from Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, California and Canada, also presented the good wishes of nearly two hundred teachers and pupils in her seminary home, who were especially remembering this meeting of the Board in all their prayer hours.

The key note of Mrs. Hoge's address ought to inspire every worker with faith and courage: "Missions founded upon Prophecy"—every day unrolling and fulfilling each item in the astonishing table of statistics which she presented—a fulfilled prophecy!

The Home and Foreign Secretaries presented reports full of encouragement at home and abroad.

A remarkable feature of this meeting was the large representation from sister Boards. Mrs. Moses Smith, President of the Board of the Interior; Mrs. Robert Harris, President of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Society of the West; Mrs. Jennie F. Willing, Secretary of the Northwestern Branch of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Mrs. John Harvie, of the Canadian Board. These ladies not only brought words of cheer and facts for encouragement from the different Boards they represent, but they stayed through all the sessions, participating in the prayers, and manifesting in an unusual degree the power of "The World for Christ," as a bond of love and union.

Another remarkable feature of the meeting was the *number of missionaries present.* Seldom has it been our privilege to look upon the faces, clasp the hands, and listen to the words of so many of these devoted servants, who have left all for Christ.

China was represented by Mrs. Coulter and dear Miss Porter, whose child-face, chastened by suffering, and sweet voice, feeble

through sickness, carried each heart captive, as she told us of missionary life, its bitter, its sweet, its toils and its rewards. Mrs. Arnold, of Greece, and Mrs. Quick, of Ceylon, testified to the sweetness of having given the golden morning years of life to this work. Persia was represented by Miss Dean, of Oroomiah, and our own (precious) Mrs. Rhea. Mrs. Pruyn, of Japan, told us of the remarkable growth of that wonderful country in civilization and Christianity.

These all answered to the inspiring roll-call of Mrs. Rhea, and came upon the platform at the name of the "land which thrilled their souls when upon their bended knees." These were joined by that *band of mothers* who had given the most precious of all for Christ—who failed not, faltered not, when the word came, "Take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest." In the few words of these missionary mothers the secret history of these offerings of the first-born—the only sons, the only daughters—came out. The chance word; the lasting impression; the vows; the early consecration; the eye single in the training; the heart firm in the sacrifice.

Papers, talks and addresses, from earnest workers all over the West, upon such subjects as "Importance of Knowledge in the Work of Missions," "Some Things Worth Knowing about Missions," "Consecration," "Steadfastness," "Individuality," "So Much to Do at Home," "Gift Worship," gave a keen analysis of the secret springs of missionary zeal, the causes of want of interest, and many valuable hints as to methods of work.

Under *Methods of Work*, two very important questions were asked: "How shall monthly meetings be rendered interesting?" "How shall the children of the Church be trained in foreign mission work?"

The first question was answered by a model missionary meeting led by Mrs. J. P. E. Kumler, of Cincinnati. The subject was India. As it was elucidated and enforced by geography, history, biography, travel, statistics, we could only wish that all the women in the land could see it; that every such class could have such a leader, and that every leader could have such docile, intelligent,

cultivated pupils as the officers of the Northwestern Board, and others of like character.

The *Children's Model Missionary Meeting*, led by Mrs. Rhea, was almost the crowning glory of the feast, inasmuch as the children are the crowning glory of everything. Here India was again the subject. Their programme was varied and exhaustive, but brief, pointed and not wearisome. After reading the Scripture, singing and prayer, each department of investigation was represented by one of these small people. Reading, recitation, geography, the poet, the historian, the illustrator of manners and customs, the story-teller, the essayist and the items—they carried the wit and humor of the whole occasion. One little tot's laconic assertion that it was "*warm* in India" brought down the house. All the oddities and peculiarities of people, climate, customs and religion of the country were brought out in these funny little items.

With these models for work, these earnest addresses, these Reports of our Secretaries, the Report of the Committee on Resolutions, all pointing out so clearly the needs of the work and the means of supply, will not this coming year be the most fruitful in real progress in every direction that this Board has ever seen?

The *Sixth Annual Meeting closed* with a pleasant reception to the delegates in the parlors of the Second Presbyterian Church; with kind words of appreciation and encouragement from Dr. Gibson, Dr. Mitchell and Dr. C. L. Thompson, and with the glad announcement that again the beginning of a new year finds the Woman's Foreign Missionary Board of the Northwest unencumbered by debt—true to her pledges! Glad voices joined in

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,"

glad hearts in the prayer that the spirit of the meeting may be carried to every Christian heart, and its effects be lasting as eternity.

"LET HER OWN WORKS PRAISE HER!"

When Miss Noyes, on the occasion of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Meeting, held in Hershey Hall, Chicago, on Thursday last, referred to the difference between the aspects of an audience

made up of Christian women, from that presented by a gathering of the same sex in heathen lands, the sharpness of the contrast must have struck every one within reach of her voice; for before her was a room filled with intelligent Christian women, whose faces glowed with interest in the theme of the hour, and for whom the time allotted to its consideration seemed only too short. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Hoge, after which Mrs. Van Cleve offered a fervent and comprehensive prayer. Mrs. Hoge next stated the object of the meeting in a brief, but eloquent, address, in which she referred to the recent stirring events in the East, and prophesied that all these wars and tumults will be only steps in the progress of Christ's kingdom upon earth. She then presented Mrs. Miller, a lady representing the Brooklyn Branch of Woman's Missionary Work, who gave a brief sketch of their various enterprises and successes.

Mrs. Hoge next requested Mrs. Rhea to introduce the several foreign missionaries present, an office which she performed in her own peculiar and impassioned manner. The first of these was Mrs. Smith, of Africa (formerly Miss Lush), who gave a pleasing and original report of some of the peculiar features of missionary life in that far away land; not the least striking of these was the fact that the Presbyterian force in that country contains in its ranks but three men. Does not the readiness of woman to encounter the dangers of that enervating and deadly climate prove her to be still worthy of the encomium pronounced in the words, "last at the cross and foremost at the grave?"

Mrs. Rhea next introduced Miss Noyes, ten years a missionary at Canton, as the child of a mother who had yielded three children to labor for Christ in foreign lands, and playfully added that she had begged her to furnish her recipe for a maternal training which had ensured such blessed results. Miss Noyes spoke briefly of her work in Canton, among a people who have been falsely called *uninteresting*. One salient point of her remarks was found in the fact mentioned, that while in America the proportion of religious teachers (ministers) is one to every seven hundred souls, that in China is but as one to every fifty thousand.

Still a great impetus was given to mission work in this empire in 1873, and should the work progress as rapidly in the future as it has done in the past four years, the next half century would see that great country thoroughly Christianized.

Miss Mary Porter, of China, was next introduced, as the child of a mother who had given a plurality of children to the mission work. The child-like simplicity of manner with which she repeated the words, "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich," was most impressive. And so, too, was Mrs. Rhea's question, as she presented Miss Willard, of Galesburg, who expects soon to leave for Japan—"Mothers, what if she were your daughter?" The response was found in the rush of quick tears to many eyes, as they looked upon the youthful face of one apparently but little past childhood. Miss Forbes, of Cincinnati, on being announced as soon to leave for her first missionary service in Mexico, begged prayer that she might have grace to put on the whole armor of God, physical strength to bear, and faith to keep it bright.

Michitaro Ongawa, a native of Japan, who has been for several years studying in this country, as a preparation for preaching the gospel of Christ to his countrymen, next spoke, in English so perfect and well chosen that only the sight of his olive complexion and oriental features suggested that it was not his native tongue. But the best wine of the feast came at the last, when Mrs. Z. M. Humphrey, of Cincinnati, delegate from the Philadelphia Society, made an earnest appeal to arouse women to more enthusiasm in the cause of foreign missions. She cited the instance of a poor servant girl, who, during a severe illness, refused to be removed from the general ward of a hospital to a comfortable private room, lest the increased expense should make it impossible to continue her annual subscription of twenty-five dollars to the Woman's Missionary Society, and asked if such *enthusiasm* was not worthy of the name, derived as it is from the words *en Theos*, in God. Mrs. Henry Childs, of Buffalo, New York, delegate from the Ladies' Board of New York, was present; but so much time

had been occupied in the exercises reported that the pleasure of hearing from her was obliged to be deferred, and the meeting reluctantly adjourned.

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Albion, Ind.
Anderson, Ind.
Attica, Ind.
Bloomfield, Iowa, Little Cross Bearers.
Brodhead, Wis., Mission Band.
Chicago, Ill., 2d Ch., Sunbeams.
Clayton, Mich.
Clear Lake, Iowa.
Clinton, Iowa, Mission Band.
Crawfordsville, Ind., 1st Ch.
Crown Point, Ind.
Delafield, Wis., Martin Band.
East Minneapolis, Minn., Andrews Ch., Loving Daughters Band.
Elmore, O.
Evansville, Ind., 1st Ave. Ch.
Flint, Mich., Young Ladies' Band.
Fort Madison, Iowa.
Freeport, Ill., 2d Ch., Elliott Band.
Freeport, Ill., Little Workers.
Goodland, Ind.
Greencastle, Ind.
Greenfield, Iowa.
Hebron, Ind.
Hopewell Ch., Ind., Little Workers.
Indianapolis, Ind., 2d Ch., Eddy Band.
Indianapolis, Ind., 3d Ch., Mission Band.
Indianapolis, Ind., 5th Ch.
Indianapolis, Ind., 6th Ch.
Indianapolis, Ind., 9th Ch., Little Workers.
Indianapolis, Ind., Memorial Ch.
Kentland, Ind.
La Gro, Ind.
Leon, Iowa.
Lima, O., Young People's Society.
Logansport, Ind., Broadway Ch.
Madison, Wis., Boys' Miss. Band.
Madison, Wis., Girls' Miss. Band
Malvern, Iowa.
Manitowac, Wis.
Mankato, Minn., "Golden Chain Band."
Mechanicsville, Iowa.
Milwaukee, Wis., Imm. Ch., Willing Hearts and Willing Hands.
Mt. Clemens, Mich., Pearl Gatherers.
Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
Neillsville, Wis.
New Albany, Ind.
Onarga, Ill.
Ottumwa, Iowa.
Peotone, Ill.
Pine City, Minn.
Pleasant Prairie, Iowa, Look-up Legion.
Red Oak, Iowa.
Remington, Ind., Miss. Circle
Rockford, Ill., 1st Ch.
Rossville, Ind.
Saint Peters, Minn.
Saint Peters, Minn., Bee Hive Band.
Shiloh, Ind.
Sidney, Ohio.
South Lyon, Mich.
Thorntown, Ind., Little Gleaners.
Toledo, O., 1st Ch., Young Ladies' Band.
Turtle Creek, O.
Vincennes, Ind., Indiana Ch.
Wabash, Ind., Light Bearers.
Warsaw, Ind.
Waveland, Ind.
Winfield, Iowa.
Wyoming, Iowa, The Sisters.
Wyoming, Iowa, Mite Gatherers.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Miss Allie M. Barnes,
Mrs. Dr. Belden,
Mrs. David J. Burrell,
Mrs. J. C. Burt,
Miss Catherine E. Carter,
Mrs. M. E. Coast,

Mrs. M. W. Cross,
Miss Harriet M. Cutcheon,
Mrs. E. C. De Puy,
Mrs. E. W. Edwards,
Mrs. Joseph H. France,
Miss Maggie Gardner,
Mrs. C. K. Giles,
Mrs. Joab Harper,
Mrs. Andrew Hemphill,
Mrs. Charles Holmes, Jr.,
Mrs. A. E. Kellogg,
Mrs. R. McChesney,
Mrs. J. R. Nicholas,
Mrs. John Noble,
Miss Margaret O'Donoughue,
Mrs. H. S. Osmond,
Mrs. Huldah B. Parmeslee,
Mrs. Dr. E. L. Phillips,
Rev. John M. Richmond,
Mrs. Julia Richmond,
Mrs. M. Rogers,
Mrs. D. F. Stone,
Miss Mary Sutherland,
Mrs. Geo. H. Treadwell,
Mrs. Henry C. Walker,
Rev. S. L. Ward, of Persia,
Mrs. Rachel Wood.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, to June 1, 1877.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

RECEIPTS FOR APRIL LEFT OVER FROM JUNE NO.

ROCK RIVER.—Princeton W. M. S., $20; Sterling W. M. S., for Emily, Dehra, $30 05; Fulton W. M. S., addl., $1 50; Woodhull W. M. S., $13, ... $64 55

SAGINAW.—Fenton, sch'p. 23, Gaboon, $25; Vassar W. M. S., sch'p. 4, at Chefoo, $42, Tripoli, $20 ($62); Flint S. S., for Tripoli, $21 56, for Syria, $25 ($46 56); Bay City W. M. S., for Oroomiah, $26 60, . 160 16

SCHUYLER.—Quincy W. M. S., for Tabriz, $50, Mite Gatherers, $17 ($67); Perry W. M. S., for pupil, Oroomiah, $30; Monmouth Little Leaven Bd., $61, . 158 00

SPRINGFIELD.—1st Ch., W. M. S., of Springfield, . . 44 00

TOPEKA.—Lawrence W. M. S., 20 80

VINCENNES.—Princeton, thank off., $10; Princeton Cen. off., $5, and Genl. Fund, $12 35 ($17 35); Terre Haute W. M. S., 2d Ch., $15; Fairview Soc., $7; Evansville, Walnut St. Ch., $30, $79 35

WINONA.—Chatfield W. M. S., addl., $1 13; Owatonna S. S., for Tripoli, $3, . . 4 13

WHITEWATER.—Aurora W. M. S., ... 37 69

WISCONSIN RIVER.—Lodi, an offering from 3 ladies, . 4 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Bowling Green, Ohio, $11; New Sharon, Mrs. Eliza A. Ralger, $5; Aliee, Iona, Lillie J. Rallston, $5; Union Grove, O., $10; Collection at Annual Meeting, $280 10; Evanston, Ill., W. M. S., for Miss Bacon's salary, $30, 341 10

913 78

Reported in June, . . . 3,748 89

Receipts for April, . $4,662 67

RECEIPTS FOR MAY.

BLOOMINGTON. — Champaign W. M. S., $10; Onarga W. M. S., $5 75; Paxton W. M. S., $10; Wenona W. M. S., $9, ... $51 00

CAIRO.—Cobden W. M. S., . 7 40

CEDAR RAPIDS.—Cedar Rapids, 1st Ch. W. M. S., $10; Wheatland W. M. S., $9, Young People's Society, $6, both for Miss Jewett's sal. $25 00

CHICAGO.—Chicago, 1st Ch.,

W. M. S., for Mrs. Jessup's sal., $47 07; Youthful Gleaners, for school in Syria, $5 70; 2d Ch., W. M. S., Miss Poage's sal. $15; 3d Ch., W. M. S., Mrs. Kelso's sal., $100; 6th Ch., W. M. S., $10; Evanston W. M. S., Miss Bacon's sal., $19 85; Joliet, 1st Ch., W. M. S., $5; Lake Forest, for L. M., $25; Chicago Entertainment Committee, $45; Mrs. J. R. Nicholas, $25, ... $298 62

Council Bluffs.—Council Bluffs W. M. S., . . 9 90

Crawfordsville.—Lafayette 2d Ch., W. M. S., $50, S. S., $21 82 ($71 82); Rossville, women and children, $2 25, 73 57

Des Moines.—Newton W. M. S., ... 3 75

Detroit.—Detroit, Mrs. A. S. Williams, $10; Northville W. M. S., sch'p at Oroomiah, $32, for Tripoli, $1 ($33); Southfield W. M. S., sch'p at Oroomiah, $10; Ypsilanti, Young Ladies Society, $5, . . . 58 00

Fort Dodge.—Fort Dodge W. M. S., ... 8 55

Freeport.—Freeport Union W. M. S., for Miss Jewett, $25; Rochelle W. M. S., $6 75, ... 31 75

Huron.—Tiffin W. M. S., sal. for Miss'y, among Creek Indians, $22 60, S. S. offering, $22, ... 44 60

Indianapolis.—Green Castle W. M. S., $3 25; Indianapolis, 1st Ch. W. M. S., Mrs. Van Hook's sal., $75, 78 25

Iowa. — Fairfield, Mrs. McCalla, $5; Miss Wilsley, $1, ... 6 00

Iowa City.—Le Claire, Miss E. Carpenter, $1, Princeton, Mrs. Volger, $2 70; Iowa City W. M. S., $2, . 5 70

Kalamazoo.—Kalamazoo W. M. S., Miss Ketchum's sal., $25 00

Kearney.—Nelson, Mrs. L. A. R., ... 1 00

Lansing.—Battle Creek W. M. S., for Tripoli, . . 28 00

Mattoon.—Vandalia S. S., . 3 59

Milwaukee.—Waukesha W. M. S., for teacher at Chefoo, 42 80

Muncie.—Wabash W. M. S., 25 00

Nebraska City.—Lincoln W. M. S., for F. and H. M., 15 00

Omaha.—Dailey Branch, . 5 00

Peoria.—Brimfield W. M. S., $10; Peoria, 1st Ch., W. M. S., $5, ... 15 00

Platte.—St. Joseph W. M. S., for school at Behamdun, Syria, ... 17 00

Rock River.—North Henderson Ch., W. M. S., $12 56; Princeton W. M. S., $5, ... 17 56

Saginaw.—Bay City W. M. S., sch'p at Oroomiah, . . 30 00

Saint Louis.—Webster Groves W. M. S., . . 20 00

Schuyler.—Bardolph W. M. S., $40; Plymouth W. M. S., $20; Quincy W. M. S., $10; Presbyterial fund, $60 15, ... 130 15

Vincennes.—Terre Haute, 1st Ch., W. M. S., Mrs. Warren's sal., . . . 33 00

White Water.—Richmond W. M. S., school at Besbeymoon, Syria, . . . 32 00

Winnebago.—Neenah W. M. S., ... 5 00

Winona.—Chatfield W. M. S., Miss Downing's sal., . . 11 00

Miscellaneous.—Grand Haven, Kansas, collected by a little girl who loves missions, $2; Societies for publishing full Report, $45, 47 00

$1,205 19

Receipts for April, . . 4,662 67

Total, ... $5,867 86

A mistake was made in the credits of amounts sent in April. $25 from Crawfordsville should be credited to the society of Center Presbyterian Church, Crawfordsville, and the amount of $106 from Lafayette should be from the W. M. S., of the First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette.

Mrs. Jesse Whitehead, *Treasurer*,
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Chicago, *June* 1, 1877.